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SUBJECT: TEXTILES: PRE-TC CONSULTATIONS

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1. PROCEEDING FROM BASIC (AND ESSENTIAL) PRESUMPTION THAT EC WILL HAVE SOME SORT OF MANDATE FOR MFA RENEWAL PRIOR TO TC MEETING, U.S. REP CAN SEE OBVIOUS ADVANTAGES IN TRIPARTITE MEETING BEFORE TEC CONVENES. IF NOTHING ELSE, WE CAN OBTAIN ADVANCE NOTICE OF EC INTENTIONS WHICH WILL PERMIT RATIONAL FORMULATION OF U.S. STANCE VIS-A-VIS EC POSITION. SINCE CANADA NOW APPEARS TO BE ALLIED WITH EC ON BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND TACTICAL GROUNDS, IT WOULD APPEAR ADVISABLE FOR SAME REASONS TO EXPAND CONSULTATION TO INCLUDE CANADA.

2. IF EC HAS NO MANDATE BEFORE GOING INTO TC MEETING, U.S. REP SEES LITTLE MERIT IN TRIPARTITE OR QUADRIpartite PRIOR CONSULTATIONS WHICH, AT BEST, WOULD RESULT IN RESTATEMENT OF KNOWN POSITIONS OF PARTIES IN-
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VOLVED. IN SUCH CASE, WE COULD JUST AS EASILY OBTAIN AVAILABLE INFORMATION THROUGH BILATERAL CONTACTS.

3. AS REGARDS PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE MAJOR EXPORTERS (HONG KONG AND KOREA) IN MULTILATERAL CONSULTATION (WITH "COINCIDENCE GROUP" PLUS CANADA), U.S. REP CAN SEE CONSIDERABLE DANGER AND LITTLE ADVANTAGE. IN FIRST

PLACE, BOTH HONG KONG AND KOREA (PARTICULARLY FORMER)
ARE ALREADY SUSPECT BY MOST OF GROUP OF 77. RECOG-
NIZING THAT STRENGTH OF U.S. POSITION IN UPCOMING
TC DISCUSSION IS DERIVED IN LARGE FROM SUPPORT
OF EXPORTING COUNTRIES AS A COHESIVE GROUP,
WE SHOULD AVOID ANY RISK OF DIVIDING THAT SUPPORT BY
INVITING KOREA AND HONG KONG INTO CONSULTATIONS WHICH,
DESPITE OUR BEST EFFORTS, PROBABLY COULD NOT BE CON-
CEALED FROM OTHER DEVELOPING EXPORTING COUNTRIES. IN
ANY EVENT, WE WILL, OF NECESSITY, BE IN CONTINUOUS
CONTACT THROUGHOUT TC WITH THE MAJOR EXPORTERS IN-
CLUDING HONG KONG AND KOREA. CATTO

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